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JOINT INSPECTION UNIT

Draft decision proposed by the Chairman following informal consultations

The General Assembly,

(a) Acknowledges receipt of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit covering the period 1 July 1990 to 30 June 1991; 1/

(b) Takes note of the work programme of the Unit as contained in the note by the Secretary-General; 2/

(c) Recalls its decision 45/450 of 21 December 1990, in which it welcomed the intention of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to increase its efforts to report on specific matters of system-wide concern, such as conference services, procurement and agency support costs, and in this connection encourages the Joint Inspection Unit to continue its efforts to comply with paragraph 2 (a) of General Assembly resolution 45/237 of 21 December 1990;

(d) Recalls also General Assembly resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986, as well as articles 2 and 3 of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, and in this regard welcomes the fact that the consultation process for selecting candidates as inspectors as stipulated in the statute was adhered to during

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1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 34 (A/46/34).

2/ A/46/89.

the forty-fourth session of the General Assembly, and recommends that the process be strictly followed in the future;

(e) Is concerned about the reporting on performance and results of United Nations programmes and invites the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to consider anew the 1988 report of the Joint Inspection Unit in this regard and to report thereon to the Assembly;

(f) Notes with concern late issuance of comments by the executive heads of organizations concerned or the Adminstrative Committee on Coordination on the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit, and requests the executive heads to observe strictly the time-limits for commenting on Joint Inspection Unit reports as provided for under article 11, paragraphs 4 (d) and (e) of its statute;

(g) Requests the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions within its mandate and with due respect to the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit to examine the functioning of the Joint Inspection Unit, including the proposals contained in paragraphs 12 to 16 of its 1991 report, and to submit, with a view to enhancing the Unit's productivity and performance, recommendations taking into account the views of the Joint Inspection Unit on this subject, to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session;

(h) Decides to conduct at its forty-seventh session the in-depth discussion of the annual reports of the Joint Inspection Unit, for 1990-1991 and 1991-1992, and to consider at the same session the desirability and possibility of biennializing this item of the agenda in the context of ongoing efforts to improve the work of the Fifth Committee by, inter alia, biennializing items of its agenda.

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ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY COORDINATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS WITH THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

Draft decision proposed by the Chairman

The General Assembly,

Having discussed the interim study on the need for the development of accounting standards to be applied in the United Nations system, 1/ which was requested by the General Assembly in its resolution 45/235 of 21 December 1990,

(a) Decides to discuss at its forty-seventh session the question of the administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency;

(b) Endorses the recommendations of the Panel of External Auditors on the interim study, 1/ and requests the Secretary-General, taking into account the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Adminstrative and Budgetary Questions in its report, 2/ to appoint a consultant from within existing resources to propose a set of accounting standards for common application to the United Nations system, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session.

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2/ A/46/546.

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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS ADVANCE MISSION IN CAMBODIA

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia 1/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 717 (1991) of 16 October 1991, by which the Council established the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia, and resolution 718 (1991) by which the Council expressed its full support for the agreements on a comprehensive political settlement of the Cambodia conflict, signed in Paris on 23 October 1991, 3/

Recognizing that the costs of the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recognizing also that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the Advance Mission in Cambodia, a different procedure is required from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

Taking into account the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that

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1/ A/46/723.

2/ A/46/763.

3/ S/23177, annex.

the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such an operation,

Bearing in mind the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such operations,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Advance Mission in Cambodia by certain Member States,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. Concurs with the observations, recommendations and conclusions contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; 2/

2. Urges all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia in full and on time;

3. Decides to appropriate an amount of 14,319,200 United States dollars gross, inclusive of the amount of 6 million dollars authorized with the concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for pre-implementation expenses under the terms of General Assembly resolution 44/203 of 21 December 1989 for the operation of the Advance Mission in Cambodia for the period from 1 November 1991 to 30 April 1992, and requests the Secretary-General to establish a Special Account for the Advance Mission in Cambodia in accordance with paragraph 18 of his report; 1/

4. Decides also, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the amount of 14,319,200 dollars gross among Member States in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolution 44/192 B of 21 December 1989 and in paragraphs 8 and 9 of resolution 45/269 of 27 August 1991; the scale of assessments for the year 1991 4/ shall be applied against a portion thereof, that is, 6,777,200 dollars gross, being the amount pertaining on a pro rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1991, and the scale of assessments for the year 1992 5/ shall be applied against the balance, that is, 7,542,000 dollars gross, for the period thereafter, 1 January to 30 April 1992, inclusive;

4/ See resolutions 43/223, 45/256 B and 46/___.

5/ Resolution 46/___.

5. Decides further that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 3 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 351,900 dollars approved for the period from 1 November 1991 to 30 April 1992, inclusive; that is, 64,900 dollars, being the amount pertaining on a pro rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1991, and the balance, that is, 287,000 dollars, for the period thereafter, 1 January to 30 April 1992, inclusive;

6. Decides that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 5/

7. Decides also that Estonia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 5/

8. Decides further that the Federated States of Micronesia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 5/

9. Decides that Latvia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 5/

10. Decides also that Lithuania shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 5/

11. Decides further that the Marshall Islands shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 5/

12. Decides that the Republic of Korea shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 5/

13. Authorizes the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the Advance Mission in Cambodia at a rate not to exceed 2,070,000 dollars gross (2,000,000 dollars net) per month for the period beyond 30 April 1992 should the Security Council decide to continue the Advance Mission in Cambodia, the said amount to be appropriated among Member States in accordance with the scheme set out in the present resolution;

14. Invites voluntary contributions to the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure established by the General Assembly in resolution 44/192 A of 21 December 1989;

15. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy.

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FINANCING OF THE ACTIVITIES ARISING FROM SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 687 (1991): UNITED NATIONS IRAQ-KUWAIT OBSERVATION MISSION

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission, 1/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/

Bearing in mind Security Council resolutions 687 (1991) and 689 (1991) of 3 and 9 April 1991, respectively, by which the Council decided to set up the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission and to review the question of its termination or continuation every six months,

Recalling its resolution 45/260 of 3 May 1991 on the financing of the Observation Mission,

Reaffirming that the costs of the Observation Mission are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling its previous decision regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the Observation Mission, a different procedure is

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1/ A/46/746.

2/ A/46/769.

required from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

Taking into account the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such an operation,

Bearing in mind the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such operations,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Observation Mission by certain Governments,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Observation Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. Concurs with the observations, recommendations and conclusions contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; 2/

2. Urges all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission in full and on time;

3. Decides to appropriate to the Special Account referred to in General Assembly resolution 45/260 an amount of 33,600,000 United States dollars gross for the operation of the Observation Mission from 9 October 1991 to 8 April 1992, inclusive;

4. Decides also, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the amount of 33,600,000 dollars for the above-mentioned period among Member States in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolutions 44/192 B of 21 December 1989 and 45/260 of 3 May 1991; the scale of assessments for the year 1991 3/ shall be applied against a portion thereof, that is, 15,423,000 dollars, being the amount pertaining on a pro-rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1991, and the scale of assessments for the year 1992 4/ shall be applied against the balance, that is, 18,177,000 dollars, for the period thereafter, 1 January to 8 April 1992, inclusive;

3/ See resolutions 43/223, 45/256 B and 46/_____.

4/ Resolution 46/_____.

5. Decides further that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 3 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 951,000 dollars approved for the period from 9 October 1991 to 8 April 1992, inclusive; that is, 437,000 dollars, being the amount pertaining on a pro-rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1991, and the balance, that is, 514,000 dollars, for the period thereafter, 1 January to 8 April 1992, inclusive;

6. Decides that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

7. Decides also that Estonia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

8. Decides further that the Federated States of Micronesia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

9. Decides that Latvia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

10. Decides also that Lithuania shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

11. Decides further that the Marshall Islands shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

12. Decides that the Republic of Korea shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

13. Decides also that, in accordance with regulation 5.2 (c) of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, the contributions to the Observation Mission until 8 October 1991 of the Member States referred to in paragraphs 6 to 12 of the present resolution shall be treated as miscellaneous income to be set off against the apportionments authorized in paragraph 4 of the present resolution;

14. Authorizes the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the Observation Mission at a rate not to exceed 5,600,000 United States dollars gross (5,441,500 dollars net) per month, subject to the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, for the period from 9 April to 8 October 1992, inclusive, should the Security Council decide to continue the Observation Mission beyond 8 April 1992, the said amounts to be apportioned among Member States in accordance with the scheme set out in the present resolution;

15. Decides to retain the unencumbered balance in the Special Account for the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission;

16. Invites voluntary contributions to the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure established by the General Assembly in its resolution 44/192 A of 21 December 1989;

17. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Observation Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy.

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PROGRAMME PLANNING

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 37/234 of 21 December 1982, 41/213 of 19 December 1986, 42/211 of 21 December 1987, 43/219 of 21 December 1988, 44/194 and 44/200 B of 21 December 1989 and 45/253 of 21 December 1990, and taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/67 of 26 July 1991,

Having considered the oral report of the Chairman of the Fifth Committee on the review of the reformulated programme 21 of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 1/ by the Second Committee, 2/

Having considered the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the work of its thirty-first session 3/ and the relevant parts of the report of the Economic and Social Council for 1991, 4/

1/ A/46/330 and Corr.1.

2/ A/C.5/46/SR.12 and 29 and A/C.2/46/SR.32.

3/ A/46/16 and Add.1.

4/ A/46/3.

Having considered also the relevant parts of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 5/

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the methodology for monitoring and reporting the programme performance of the United Nations 6/ and on the review of the procedures for the provision of statements of programme budget implications and for the use and operation of the contingency fund, 7/

Taking into account the comments and observations made in the Fifth Committee concerning programme planning, 8/

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MEDIUM-TERM PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 1992-1997

Approves programme 21, Public administration and finance, of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 as reformulated by the Secretary-General; 1/

II

CONSULTATIONS WITH INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODIES DURING THE PLANNING, PROGRAMMING AND BUDGETING PROCESS

1. Notes with concern that, for most sections of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993, programmes of work had not been reviewed by intergovernmental bodies;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to institutionalize the consultative process with Member States on the medium-term plan, or its revisions and the programmes of work to be included in the proposed programme budgets and to use, when necessary, ad hoc mechanisms to ensure that relevant intergovernmental bodies undertake their review in a timely manner;

5/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 7 (A/46/7).

6/ A/46/173.

7/ A/46/170.

8/ A/C.5/46/SR.5 to 47.

3. Invites the functional, sectoral, regional and central reviewing bodies to improve the quality of their review of the relevant planning and programme documents submitted to them;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the quality of the proposals submitted to those bodies as well as their timeliness and the procedure of their submission be improved so as to facilitate the review mentioned in paragraph 3 above;

III

PRIORITIES

1. Stresses the importance of priority-setting as an integral part of the planning, programming and budgeting process;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to make every effort with a view to ensuring that all relevant entities and bodies set and apply priorities in accordance with the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation;

3. Also requests the Secretary-General to keep under review the regulations and rules on priorities, in particular those at the level of activities and outputs, during the implementation of the programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993 and the use of the contingency fund;

IV

STATEMENTS OF PROGRAMME BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

1. Reiterates the need to implement fully the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolution 44/200 B;

2. Invites the Secretary-General to take appropriate measures to enhance general awareness of the budgetary process in the Organization and, in this connection, to inform special conferences convened under United Nations auspices of the budgetary implications of their draft resolutions, recommendations and decisions;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to improve the programmatic content of the statements of programme budget implications and to propose in such statements or revised estimates alternative solutions for carrying out new activities, as required by resolutions 41/213 and 42/211;

4. Also requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, at its forty-eighth session, through the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Committee for Programme and

Coordination, at its thirty-third session, a report on the review of the procedures for the provision of statements of programme budget implications and for the use and operation of the contingency fund, taking into account in particular the above-mentioned requests;

V

PROGRAMME PERFORMANCE MONITORING

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the methodology for monitoring and reporting the programme performance of the United Nations; 6/

2. Endorses the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its thirty-first session 3/ and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the above-mentioned report; 5/

VI

COORDINATION

1. Expresses its appreciation to the Administrative Committee on Coordination for the improvement it made to its annual overview report for 1990, in particular through the new report on programmes and resources of the United Nations system; 9/

2. Reaffirms the importance of coordination in the United Nations system and the central role of the Administrative Committee on Coordination, under the leadership of the Secretary-General, in ensuring greater complementarity and compatibility of the activities and programmes of the United Nations system;

3. Endorses the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, at its thirty-first session, on the annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1990;

4. Requests the Administrative Committee on Coordination to pursue its efforts to improve its annual reports, taking into account the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its thirty-first session;

9/ E/1991/42 and Add.1 and 2.

VII

PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE COMMITTEE FOR PROGRAMME AND COORDINATION

Requests the Committee for Programme and Coordination to review its programme of work in the light of Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/67 and to make suggestions on the timing and duration of its sessions;

VIII

OTHER CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Approves those other conclusions and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its thirty-first session that have not otherwise been approved by the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session.

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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE-KEEPING FORCES IN THE MIDDLE EAST: UNITED NATIONS DISENGAGEMENT OBSERVER FORCE

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force, 1/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 350 (1974) of 31 May 1974, by which the Council established the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force and the subsequent resolutions by which the mandate of the Force was extended, the latest of which was Security Council resolution 722 (1991) of 29 November 1991,

Recalling its resolution 3211 B (XXIX) of 29 November 1974 on the financing of the United Nations Emergency Force and the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 45/243 of 21 December 1990,

Reaffirming its previous decisions regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force, a different procedure is required from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

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1/ A/46/749.

2/ A/46/773.

Taking into account the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such operations involving heavy expenditures,

Bearing in mind the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such operations,

Having regard to the financial position of the Special Account for the United Nations Emergency Force and the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force, as set forth in the report of the Secretary-General, 1/ and referring to paragraphs 4 and 5 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/

Recognizing that, as a consequence of the withholding of contributions by certain Member States, the surplus balances in the Special Account for the United Nations Emergency Force and the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force have, in effect, been drawn upon to supplement the income received from contributions for meeting expenses of the Forces,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. Decides to appropriate to the Special Account referred to in section II, paragraph 1, of General Assembly resolution 3211 B (XXIX) the amount of 20,679,000 United States dollars gross (20,199,000 dollars net) authorized and apportioned in paragraph 8 of Assembly resolution 45/243 for the operation of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for the period from 1 June to 30 November 1991, inclusive;

2. Decides also to appropriate to the Special Account an amount of 21,384,000 dollars for the operation of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for the period from 1 December 1991 to 31 May 1992, inclusive;

3. Decides further, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the amount of 21,384,000 dollars for the above-mentioned period among Member States in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by Assembly resolutions 44/192 B of 21 December 1989 and 45/243 of 21 December 1990; the scale of assessments for the year 1991 3/ shall be applied against a portion thereof, that is, 3,564,000 dollars, being the amount pertaining on a pro rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1991, and the scale of assessments for

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3/ See resolutions 43/223 A, 45/256 B and 46/___.

the year 1992 4/ shall be applied against the balance, that is, 17,820,000 dollars, for the period from 1 January to 31 May 1992, inclusive;

4. Decides that there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 3 above, their respective share in the estimated income of 7,500 dollars other than staff assessment income approved for the period from 1 December 1991 to 31 May 1992, inclusive; 1,250 dollars, being the amount pertaining on a pro rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1991, and the balance, that is, 6,250 dollars, for the period from 1 January to 31 May 1992, inclusive;

5. Decides also that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 3 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 541,500 dollars approved for the period from 1 December 1991 to 31 May 1992, inclusive; 90,250 dollars, being the amount pertaining on a pro rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1991, and the balance, that is, 451,250 dollars, for the period from 1 January to 31 May 1992, inclusive;

6. Decides further that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (_) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

7. Decides that Estonia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (_) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

8. Decides also that the Federated States of Micronesia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (_) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

9. Decides further that Latvia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (_) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be

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4/ See resolution 46/___.

adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

10. Decides that Lithuania shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (_) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

11. Decides also that Marshall Islands shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (_) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

12. Decides further that the Republic of Korea shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (_) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

13. Decides that, in accordance with regulation 5.2 (c) of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, the contributions to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force until 30 November 1991 of the Member States referred to in paragraphs 6 to 12 of the present resolution shall be treated as miscellaneous income to be set off against the apportionments authorized in paragraph 1 above;

14. Authorizes the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force at a rate not to exceed 3,564,000 dollars gross (3,472,500 dollars net) per month for the period from 1 June to 30 November 1992, inclusive, should the Security Council decide to continue the Force beyond the period of six months authorized under its resolution 722 (1991), the said amount to be apportioned among Member States in accordance with the scheme set out in the present resolution;

15. Decides that the surplus balance as at 30 June 1991 covering the period from 1 December 1989 to 30 November 1990 in the amount of 6,790,883 dollars shall be credited to Member States against their assessments in respect of such mandate periods as may be approved by the Security Council subsequent to 31 May 1992;

16. Invites voluntary contributions to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure established by General Assembly resolution 44/192 A of 21 December 1989;

17. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Force is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy.

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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE-KEEPING FORCES IN THE MIDDLE EAST: UNITED NATIONS INTERIM FORCE IN LEBANON

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon, 1/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 425 (1978) of 19 March 1978, by which the Council established the Force, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force, the latest of which was Security Council resolution 701 (1991) of 31 July 1991,

Recalling its resolution S-8/2 of 21 April 1978 on the financing of the Force and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 45/244 of 21 December 1990,

Reaffirming its previous decisions regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the Force, a different procedure is required from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

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1/ A/46/757.

2/ A/46/773.

Taking into account the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such operations involving heavy expenditures,

Bearing in mind the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such operations,

Having regard to the financial position of the Special Account for the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon, as set forth in the report of the Secretary-General, 1/ and referring to paragraph 11 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/

Recalling its resolution 34/9 E of 17 December 1979 and the subsequent resolutions in which it decided that the provisions of regulations 5.2 (b), 5.2 (d), 4.3 and 4.4 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations should be suspended, the latest of which was resolution 45/244,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Force with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Force by certain Governments,

Concerned that the Secretary-General continues to face difficulties in meeting the obligations of the Force on a current basis, including reimbursement to current and former troop-contributing States, resulting from the withholding of contributions by certain Member States,

Concerned also that the surplus balances in the Special Account for the Force have, in effect, been drawn upon to the full extent to supplement the income received from contributions for meeting expenses of the Force,

Concerned further that the application of the provisions of regulations 5.2 (b), 5.2 (d), 4.3 and 4.4 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations would aggravate the already difficult financial situation of the Force,

1. Decides to appropriate to the Special Account referred to in section I, paragraph 1, of General Assembly resolution S-8/2 the amount of 153,468,000 United States dollars gross (150,684,000 dollars net) authorized and apportioned by the Assembly in paragraphs 2 and 3 of its resolution 45/244 for the operation of the Force from 1 February 1991 to 31 January 1992, inclusive;

2. Authorizes the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the operation of the Force at a rate not to exceed 13,337,000 dollars gross (13,089,000 dollars net) per month for the period beginning 1 February 1992, should the Security Council decide to continue the Force beyond the period of six months authorized under its resolution 701 (1991), subject to obtaining the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for the actual level of commitments to be entered into for each mandate period that may be approved subsequent to 31 January 1992;

3. Decides, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the amounts referred to in paragraph 2 above among Member States in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by Assembly resolutions 44/192 B of 21 December 1989 and 45/244, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 1992, 1993 and 1994; 3/

4. Decides also that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

5. Decides further that Estonia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

6. Decides that the Federated States of Micronesia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

7. Decides also that Latvia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

8. Decides further that Lithuania shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

3/ See resolution 46/____.

9. Decides that the Marshall Islands shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

10. Decides also that the Republic of Korea shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Force shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

11. Decides further that, in accordance with regulation 5.2 (c) of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, the contributions to the Force until 31 January 1992 of the Member States referred to in paragraphs 4 to 10 of the present resolution shall be treated as miscellaneous income to be set off against the apportionments authorized in paragraph 1 above;

12. Decides that the provisions of regulations 5.2 (b), 5.2 (d), 4.3 and 4.4 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations shall be suspended in respect of the amount of 8,235,545 dollars, which otherwise would have to be surrendered pursuant to those provisions, this amount to be entered in the account referred to in the operative part of General Assembly resolution 34/9 E and held in suspense until a further decision is taken by the Assembly;

13. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary measures to ensure that the Force shall be administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

14. Renews its invitation to Member States and other interested parties to make voluntary contributions to the Force both in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General and also to make voluntary contributions in cash to the Suspense Account established in accordance with resolution 34/9 D of 17 December 1979.

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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS ANGOLA VERIFICATION MISSION

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission 1/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 626 (1988) of 20 December 1988 by which the Council established the United Nations Angola Verification Mission as well as Council resolution 696 (1991) of 30 May 1991 by which the Council decided to entrust a new mandate to the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (henceforth known as United Nations Angola Verification Mission II) and to establish the Verification Mission for a period of seventeen months,

Reaffirming that the costs of the Verification Mission are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling its previous decisions regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the Verification Mission, a different procedure is required from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

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1/ A/46/759.

2/ A/46/774.

Taking into account the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such an operation,

Bearing in mind the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such operations,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Verification Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolution of the Security Council,

1. Concurs with the observations, recommendations and conclusions contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; 2/

2. Urges all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the United Nations Angola Verification Mission in full and on time;

3. Decides to appropriate at this stage to the Special Account an amount of 42,876,720 United States dollars gross (42,062,000 dollars net); and decides to authorize the Secretary-General to enter into commitments up to 10,719,180 dollars gross (10,515,500 dollars net) with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for the operation of the Verification Mission for the period from 1 January to 31 October 1992;

4. Decides also, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the amounts indicated in paragraph 3 above among Member States in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolution 44/192 B of 21 December 1989 and resolution 45/246 of 21 December 1990 and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 1992, 1993 and 1994; 3/

5. Decides further that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Verification Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

6. Decides that Estonia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its

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3/ See resolutions 46/___.

contribution to the Verification Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

7. Decides also that the Federated States of Micronesia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Verification Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

8. Decides further that Latvia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Verification Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

9. Decides that Lithuania shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Verification Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

10. Decides also that the Marshall Islands shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Verification Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

11. Decides further that the Republic of Korea shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Verification Mission shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 3/

12. Decides that, in accordance with regulation 5.2 (c) of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, the contributions to the United Nations Angola Verification Mission until 31 December 1991 of the Member States referred to in paragraphs 6 to 11 of this resolution shall be treated as miscellaneous income to be set off against the apportionments authorized in paragraph 4 of the present resolution;

13. Decides also that the unencumbered balance of appropriation and the interest and miscellaneous income shall be retained in the Special Account in light of the outstanding assessed contributions;

14. Invites voluntary contributions to the Verification Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General,

to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure established by the General Assembly in its resolution 44/192 A of 21 December 1989;

15. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the United Nations Angola Verification Mission II is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy.

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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS OBSERVER GROUP IN CENTRAL AMERICA

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Observer Group in Central America 1/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 644 (1989) of 7 November 1989, by which the Council established the United Nations Observer Group in Central America and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Group, the latest of which was resolution 719 (1991) of 6 November 1991,

Reaffirming that the costs of the United Nations Observer Group in Central America are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling its previous decisions regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by United Nations Observer Group in Central America, a different procedure is required from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

Taking into account the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that

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1/ A/46/745.

2/ A/46/767.

the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such an operation,

Bearing in mind the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such operations,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the United Nations Observer Group in Central America by certain Member States,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the United Nations Observer Group in Central America with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. Concurs with the observations, recommendations and conclusions contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; 2/

2. Urges all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the United Nations Observer Group in Central America in full and on time;

3. Decides to appropriate to the Special Account the amount of 14,400,400 United States dollars gross (13,898,800 dollars net) authorized by the General Assembly and apportioned in paragraph 9 of Assembly resolution 45/247 of 21 December 1990 for the operation of the United Nations Observer Group in Central America for the period from 7 May to 7 November 1991, inclusive;

4. Decides also that there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States for the period 7 May to 7 November 1991, as provided for in paragraph 3 above, their respective share in the unencumbered balance of 5,400,400 dollars gross (5,398,800 dollars net) in respect of the period from 7 November 1990 to 7 May 1991, inclusive;

5. Decides further to appropriate to the Special Account an amount of 12,408,700 dollars gross for the operation of the United Nations Observer Group in Central America for the period from 7 November 1991 to 30 April 1992, inclusive;

6. Decides, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the amount of 12,408,700 dollars for the above-mentioned period among Member States in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by Assembly resolution 44/192 B of 21 December 1989 and General Assembly resolution 45/247; the scale of assessments for the year 1991, 3/ shall be applied

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3/ See resolutions 43/223, 45/256 B and 46/___.

against a portion thereof, that is, 3,828,970 dollars, being the amount pertaining on a pro rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1991, and the scale of assessments for the year 1992 4/ shall be applied against the balance, that is 8,579,730 dollars, for the period thereafter, 1 January to 30 April 1992, inclusive;

7. Decides also that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 5 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 408,700 dollars approved for the period from 7 November 1991 to 30 April 1992, inclusive; that is 126,110 dollars, being the amount pertaining on a pro rata basis to the period ending 31 December 1991, and the balance, that is 282,590 dollars, for the period thereafter, 1 January to 30 April 1992, inclusive;

8. Decides further that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Group shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

9. Decides that Estonia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Group shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

10. Decides also that the Federated States of Micronesia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Group shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

11. Decides further that Latvia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Group shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

12. Decides that Lithuania shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Group shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

4/ Resolution 46/___.

13. Decides also that the Marshall Islands shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Group shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

14. Decides further that the Republic of Korea shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 and that its contribution to the Group shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the resolution to be adopted by the Assembly at its forty-sixth session regarding the scale of assessments; 4/

15. Decides that, in accordance with regulation 5.2(c) of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, the contributions to the United Nations Observer Group in Central America until 7 November 1991 of the Member States referred to in paragraphs 8 to 14 of the present resolution shall be treated as miscellaneous income to be set off against the apportionments authorized in paragraph 6 of the present resolution;

16. Authorizes the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the United Nations Observer Group in Central America at a rate not to exceed 2,071,000 dollars gross (2,000,000 dollars net) per month for the period from 1 May 1992 to 30 April 1993, inclusive, should the Security Council decide to continue the Group beyond the period of five months and twenty-three days authorized under its resolution 719 (1991), the said amount to be appropriated among Member States in accordance with the scheme set out in the present resolution;

17. Decides that the unencumbered balance of appropriation and the interest and miscellaneous income shall be retained in the Special Account in light of the outstanding assessed contributions;

18. Invites voluntary contributions to the United Nations Observer Group in Central America in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure established by General Assembly resolution 44/192 A of 21 December 1989;

19. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the United Nations Observer Group in Central America is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy.

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UNITED NATIONS COMMON SYSTEM

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman of the Fifth Committee following informal consultations

United Nations common system: report of the International Civil Service Commission

The General Assembly,

Having considered the seventeenth annual report of the International Civil Service Commission 1/ and other related reports, 2/

I

ROLE AND FUNCTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Recalling resolution 3357 (XXIX) of 18 December 1974, by which it established the International Civil Service Commission,

Recalling also resolutions 42/221 of 21 December 1987, 43/226 of 21 December 1988 and 44/198 of 21 December 1989, by which, inter alia, it requested a review of the functioning of the Commission,

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1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 30 (A/46/30), vols. I and II.

2/ Ibid., Supplement No. 9 (A/46/9); A/46/275; A/46/7/Add.7; A/C.5/46/28, A/C.5/46/31, A/C.5/46/33, A/C.5/46/35, A/C.5/46/45 and A/C.5/46/65.

1. Reaffirms the central role of the General Assembly with regard to the elaboration of the conditions of service for the United Nations common system as a whole and that of the International Civil Service Commission as the independent technical body responsible to the General Assembly for the regulation and coordination of those conditions of service of the United Nations common system;

2. Reaffirms also that in the exercise of its functions, the Commission shall be guided by the principles set out in the agreements between the United Nations and the other organizations and in the statute of the Commission as accepted by the organizations of the common system, which aim at the development of a single unified international civil service through the application of common personnel standards, methods and arrangements;

3. Takes note of the report on the functioning of the International Civil Service Commission by the Administrative Committee on Coordination 3/ and of the views expressed by the Commission on this question, as contained in volume II of its annual report; 1/

4. Affirms the validity of the statute of the Commission;

5. Takes note with appreciation the improvements that have taken place in the functioning of the Commission, and encourages the Commission to pursue further improvements in its functioning, with a view to enhancing its responsiveness within the common system to the concerns and needs of the different organizations;

6. Reaffirms the right of the Commission under its statute to hold executive meetings, whilst acknowledging the importance of maintaining the fullest possible participation of organizations and staff in the work of the Commission;

7. Invites the Commission to continue to enhance its contacts with the governing bodies, executive heads and staff of organizations of the United Nations common system in order to strengthen the cohesiveness and unity of that system and, in this context, to emphasize its advantages;

8. Endorses the efforts of the Commission to maintain the integrity and unity of the conditions of service of the staff of the common system in order to strengthen the effectiveness of common system activities and to ensure equity of treatment of all staff;

9. Requests the governing bodies of organizations of the common system to invite the Commission to be represented at the meetings of their respective governing bodies when matters concerning salaries, allowances, benefits and other conditions of employment are considered;

3/ A/46/275.

10. Expresses appreciation to the Commission for the improvements in the presentation of its annual reports and invites the Commission to continue its efforts to enhance the clarity and transparency of its reports and to rationalize its work programme;

11. Calls upon Member States to see to it that the goals and objectives of the United Nations common system embodied in the decisions and recommendations of the Commission, as agreed by the General Assembly, are fully reflected in decisions of the governing bodies of the organizations of the United Nations common system;

II

REGULATION AND COORDINATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS COMMON SYSTEM

Recalling General Assembly resolution 45/268 of 28 June 1991, by which it emphasized the obligations of all organizations of the United Nations common system to consult and cooperate fully with the International Civil Service Commission and the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board on matters relating to conditions of service and pensions,

Emphasizing the importance of, and benefits derived from, maintaining a coherent and unified common system,

1. Recalls that executive heads of the organizations of the United Nations system have a responsibility to ensure that they apply their Organization's rules and regulations with due regard to their obligations under the common system;

2. Deplores the decision of the International Telecommunication Union to grant a special post allowance to headquarters staff at the Professional and higher levels, which is contrary to the norms of the common system, and requests the governing body of the International Telecommunication Union to respect its obligations under the common system;

3. Endorses the view of the International Civil Service Commission that the action taken by the International Telecommunication Union in regard to special post allowances is incompatible with the concept of the common system;

4. Regrets that the decision of the Governing Body of the International Labour Organisation to establish a voluntary thrift benefit fund was taken without prior consultation with the Commission;

5. Stresses that the actions of the International Telecommunication Union and the International Labour Organisation should in no way be invoked as precedents by other organizations or by the International Telecommunication Union and the International Labour Organisation themselves;

6. Notes the decision of the Coordination Committee of the World Intellectual Property Organization to establish a working group on

Professional remuneration and, in this regard, requests the Coordination Committee of the World Intellectual Property Organization to involve fully the relevant common system bodies in the Working Group and to seek the views of these bodies, as appropriate, on any report or conclusions reached and to have the latter submitted concurrently with the Working Group's report to the Governing Body of the World Intellectual Property Organization;

7. Invites the executive heads to consult the Commission and the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board before putting proposals relating to staff conditions of service to their respective governing bodies, in order to avoid action inconsistent with the statute of the Commission and the regulations of the Pension Fund as accepted by the organizations;

8. Reiterates its appeal to the organizations of the United Nations common system to refrain from seeking to establish for their staff, whether by provisions in their staff regulations or by other means, additional entitlements and benefits, as such actions would be detrimental to the common system under which all staff should receive equal treatment, irrespective of their employing organizations;

9. Urges the governing bodies of the United Nations common system to fully respect decisions taken by the General Assembly, on the recommendations of the Commission and the Pension Board, in respect of the conditions of service of the staff;

10. Invites the Commission and the Pension Board to make appropriate recommendations for enhancing respect and adherence by all governing bodies to the common system of salaries, allowances and conditions of service;

III

STAFF ASSESSMENT RATES FOR GENERAL SERVICE AND RELATED CATEGORIES

1. Approves, for General Service and related categories of staff and with effect from 1 January 1992, the scale of staff assessment rates contained in annex I of the report of the International Civil Service Commission 1/ and the modalities for its implementation as contained in paragraph 88 of that report;

2. Approves, with effect from 1 January 1992, the amendments to the Staff Regulations of the United Nations, as set forth in paragraph 2 of annex I to the present resolution, to replace the present scale of staff assessment for staff in the General Service and related categories;

IV

MARGIN CONSIDERATIONS

Recalling that in section I, paragraph 2, of its resolution 40/244 of 18 December 1985, it approved a range of 110 to 120, with a desirable mid-point of 115, for the margin between the net remuneration of officials in the Professional and higher categories of the United Nations in New York and that of officials in comparable positions in the United States federal civil service, on the understanding that the margin would be maintained around the desirable mid-point over a period of time,

Recalling also, that in section I.C, paragraph 5, of its resolution 44/198, it requested the International Civil Service Commission to monitor the annual net remuneration margin over the five-year period beginning in calendar year 1990 with a view to ensuring, to the extent possible, that by the end of that period the average of the successive annual margins is around the desirable mid-point of 115,

Recalling further that in section VII of its resolution 45/241 of 21 December 1990, it requested the Commission to continue to monitor the evolution of the margin and also the impact of the potential changes in the United States federal civil service pay levels, as a result of the implementation of the Federal Employees Pay Comparability Act of 1990, and to submit recommendations to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session, with a view to avoiding a prolonged freeze within the five-year period from the calendar year 1990,

Taking note of the recommendations of the Commission as contained in paragraph 116 of its report 1/ and of the views expressed thereon by the Administrative Committee on Coordination and by Member States in the Fifth Committee,

Taking note also of the information provided by the Commission in respect of the anticipated effects of the implementation of the Federal Employees Pay Comparability Act of 1990 on pay levels in the comparator civil service and hence on the margin,

1. Decides, without prejudice to previous decisions on the averaging of the margin around the mid-point over a five-year period, that any post adjustment increase in New York which may become due until 1994 may be implemented to the extent that it is compatible with the upper limit of the margin;

2. Requests the International Civil Service Commission to continue to monitor further implementation of the comparator's Federal Employees Pay Comparability Act of 1990, including the impact of its locality pay provisions in 1994, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session, in order to enable the Assembly to address the issue of the average margin over a five-year period around the desirable mid-point of 115;

3. Endorses the procedures proposed for the management of the post adjustment system within the current margin range as contained in paragraph 109 (b) of the Commission's report; 1/

V

THE BASE/FLOOR SCALE

Recalling section I.E. of resolution 44/198, by which it introduced a mobility and hardship allowance, with effect from 1 July 1990,

Recalling also section I.H of the same resolution, by which it approved the establishment of a floor net salary scale, with effect from the same date, by reference to the corresponding base net salary levels of officials in comparable positions serving at the base city of the comparator civil service,

Recalling further its request to the International Civil Service Commission to report to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session on the operation of the mobility and hardship allowance and the assignment grant, and taking into account the views expressed in the Fifth Committee on this matter, in particular on the link between the floor net salary scale and the mobility/hardship allowance,

1. Requests the International Civil Service Commission to include in its report, to be presented to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session, a cost-benefit analysis of the operation of the mobility/hardship allowance, as well as an assessment of the personnel management benefits and details of savings achieved in other administrative costs with the introduction of the current arrangements;

2. Approves, with effect from 1 March 1992, the revised scale of gross and net salaries for staff in the Professional and higher categories contained in annex II to the present resolution and the consequential amendments to the Staff Regulations of the United Nations, as reflected in paragraph 1 of annex I to the present resolution;

VI

COMPARATOR

Reaffirming that the Noblemaire principle should continue to serve as the basis of comparison between United Nations common system emoluments and those of the highest paying civil service,

Recalling that in section I.B of resolution 44/198, the General Assembly requested the International Civil Service Commission to propose a methodology at its forty-sixth session for carrying out periodic checks every five years to determine which is the highest-paid civil service,

1. Endorses the conclusions of the International Civil Service Commission in respect of a methodology for conducting checks to determine the highest-paid civil service, as contained in annex V to its report, and requests that the development and application of this methodology be carried out as economically as possible;

2. Invites the Commission, in conjunction with the information requested in section IV, paragraph 2, of the present resolution, to analyse the potential consequences of the Federal Employees Pay Comparability Act of 1990 on the pay levels of the current comparator, the United States Federal Civil Service, and report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session. In this analysis, the Commission should also provide full details of all the special pay systems which have been introduced by the comparator civil service;

3. Requests the Commission to seek the views of the General Assembly on this matter after the completion of phase I of the methodology;

VII

CONDITIONS OF SERVICE OF ASSISTANT SECRETARIES-GENERAL AND UNDER-SECRETARIES-GENERAL

Recalling section V of its resolution 45/241 by which it requested the Commission to reconsider, in a comprehensive manner, the remuneration of staff of the organizations of the United Nations common system at the Assistant Secretary-General, Under-Secretary-General and equivalent levels,

Noting the recommendations of the International Civil Service Commission as contained in paragraph 173 of its report, 1/

Noting also that proposals are being advanced for the restructuring of the United Nations secretariat and the intention of the Secretary-General to conduct a review of representation allowance, honorariums and related matters,

Noting further the views expressed by the Administrative Committee on Coordination, the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and members of the Fifth Committee on this question,

Decides to defer to its forty-seventh session a decision on the recommendations of the International Civil Service Commission regarding the conditions of service of staff of the organizations of the United Nations common system at the Assistant Secretary-General, Under-Secretary-General and equivalent levels,

VIII

PERSONNEL POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

Recalling its request in section XII of resolution 45/241 that the International Civil Service Commission resume active consideration of the substantive areas covered under articles 13 and 14 of the statute of the Commission,

Recalling also the views contained in resolutions 43/226 and 44/198 in the area of motivation and productivity of staff, including recognition of outstanding performance,

Stressing the importance of the Commission actively pursuing its mandate in respect of personnel policy and, in particular, of motivating the staff of the organizations of the common system,

Invites the International Civil Service Commission to pursue, as a matter of priority, its review of merit systems and performance appraisal in the United Nations system as a vehicle for enhancing productivity and cost-effectiveness;

IX

WORK PROGRAMME

1. Takes note of the revisions which it has been necessary for the International Civil Service Commission to make to its work programme in connection with reports requested by the General Assembly:

(a) On the measurement of the housing element in the remuneration package;

(b) In respect of the establishment of a pilot project to simulate the operation of the Commission's proposals in a limited number of field duty stations where valid housing comparisons were difficult or impossible;

(c) In respect of a revised rental subsidy scheme;

(d) Regarding the granting of expatriate entitlements to staff members living in their home countries while stationed at duty stations located in another country;

(e) In respect of the methodology for the determination of dependency allowances;

2. Requests the Commission to present these reports at the earliest opportunity;

3. Also requests the Commission to include in its work programme a review of the differences between United Nations and United States net remuneration at individual grade levels and to report to the General Assembly at the earliest opportunity;

X

GENERAL SERVICE SALARY SURVEY METHODOLOGY

Recalling paragraph 4 of section XIII of its resolution 45/241 of 21 December 1990, by which it took note that the International Civil Service Commission would review in 1991 the methodology for the conduct of salary surveys of the General Service and related categories at headquarters duty stations, and requested the Commission to present a report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session,

Recalling also section XIV of the same resolution, by which it requested the Commission to consider the relativities between the terms and conditions of service of staff in the Professional and higher categories and those in other categories, as well as the broader question of the recruitment and retention of staff,

Noting the results and related implications of the surveys of best prevailing conditions of service at Geneva and Vienna for the General Service and related categories of staff, as carried out by the Commission under article 12 of its statute,

Noting also the decision of the Commission to complete in 1992 its review of the methodology for conducting surveys of best prevailing conditions of employment for the General Service and related categories of staff at headquarters locations,

Requests the International Civil Service Commission to speedily conclude these reviews and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session.

Annex I

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAFF REGULATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Regulation 3.3

1. Replace the second table in subparagraph (i) of paragraph (b) by the following table:

Total assessable payments (US dollars)	Staff assessment rates used in conjunction with gross base salaries	
	Staff member with a dependent spouse or a dependent child	Staff member with neither a dependent spouse nor a dependent child
First $15 000 per year	13.0	17.3
Next $ 5 000 per year	31.0	34.3
Next $ 5 000 per year	34.0	38.5
Next $ 5 000 per year	37.0	41.8
Next $ 5 000 per year	39.0	43.8
Next $10 000 per year	41.0	45.9
Next $10 000 per year	43.0	48.1
Next $10 000 per year	45.0	50.4
Next $15 000 per year	46.0	51.0
Next $20 000 per year	47.0	52.6
Remaining assessable payments	48.0	57.0

2. Replace the table in subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (b) by the following table:

Total assessable payments (US dollars)	Assessment (percentage)
First $2 000 per year	15
Next $2 000 per year	18
Next $2 000 per year	20
Next $2 000 per year	21
Next $4 000 per year	22
Next $4 000 per year	23
Next $4 000 per year	24
Next $6 000 per year	25
Next $6 000 per year	25.5
Next $6 000 per year	26
Next $8 000 per year	26.5
Next $8 000 per year	27
Next $8 000 per year	27.5
Next $8 000 per year	28
Remaining assessable payments	29

Annex II

SALARY SCALE FOR THE PROFESSIONAL AND HIGHER CATEGORIES SHOWING ANNUAL GROSS SALARIES AND NET EQUIVALENTS AFTER APPLICATION OF STAFF ASSESSMENT*

(US dollars)

Effective 1 March 1992

Level		I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	XIII	XIV	XV
		S T E P S														
Under-Secretary-General																
USG	Gross	137 508														
	Net D	81 304														
	Net S	73 003														
Assistant-Secretary-General																
ASG	Gross	124 560														
	Net D	74 571														
	Net S	67 436														
Director																
D-2	Gross	101 163	103 504	105 844	108 183	110 523	112 863									
	Net D	62 405	63 622	64 839	66 055	67 272	68 489									
	Net S	57 375	58 382	59 388	60 394	61 400	62 406									
Principal Officer																
D-1	Gross	89 026	90 992	92 958	94 923	96 889	98 855	100 837	102 840	104 842						
	Net D	55 984	57 026	58 068	59 109	60 151	61 193	62 235	63 277	64 318						
	Net S	51 673	52 605	53 537	54 469	55 400	56 332	57 235	58 096	58 957						
Senior Officer																
P-5	Gross	78 037	79 783	81 558	83 338	85 117	86 894	88 674	90 453	92 230	94 009	95 789	97 566	99 345		
	Net D	50 140	51 083	52 026	52 969	53 912	54 854	55 797	56 740	57 682	58 625	59 568	60 510	61 453		
	Net S	46 433	47 289	48 133	48 977	49 820	50 663	51 506	52 350	53 192	54 035	54 879	55 721	56 565		
First Officer																
P-4	Gross	63 635	65 313	67 015	68 717	70 420	72 122	73 824	75 528	77 230	78 931	80 645	82 383	84 117	85 851	87 587
	Net D	42 349	43 269	44 188	45 107	46 027	46 946	47 865	48 785	49 704	50 623	51 542	52 463	53 382	54 301	55 221
	Net S	39 368	40 198	41 032	41 866	42 701	43 535	44 369	45 204	46 038	46 871	47 701	48 525	49 346	50 168	50 991
Second Officer																
P-3	Gross	51 421	52 937	54 453	56 002	57 573	59 142	60 713	62 284	63 855	65 433	67 031	68 631	70 230	71 830	73 430
	Net D	35 560	36 424	37 288	38 151	39 015	39 878	40 742	41 606	42 470	43 334	44 197	45 061	45 924	46 788	47 652
	Net S	33 227	34 014	34 801	35 582	36 361	37 139	37 919	38 698	39 477	40 257	41 040	41 824	42 608	43 392	44 176
Associate Officer																
P-2	Gross	40 901	42 214	43 522	44 832	46 101	47 535	48 891	50 246	51 602	52 956	54 111	55 691			
	Net D	29 483	30 256	31 028	31 801	32 573	33 345	34 118	34 890	35 663	36 435	37 207	37 980			
	Net S	27 679	28 380	29 095	29 804	30 508	31 211	31 914	32 618	33 321	34 024	34 727	35 428			
Assistant Officer																
P-1	Gross	30 638	31 856	33 072	34 290	35 524	36 781	38 041	39 298	40 556	41 815					
	Net D	21 339	24 082	24 824	25 567	26 309	27 051	27 794	28 536	29 278	30 021					
	Net S	22 034	22 710	23 401	24 086	24 768	25 449	26 130	26 810	27 491	28 172					

D = Rate applicable to staff members with a dependent spouse or child.

S = Rate applicable to staff members with no dependent spouse or child.

* This scale represents the result of a consolidation of six multiplier points of post adjustment into net base salary. There will be consequential adjustments in the post adjustment indices and multipliers effective 1 March 1992. Thereafter changes in post adjustment classifications will be effected on the basis of the movements of the newly consolidated post adjustment indices.

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UNITED NATIONS PENSION SYSTEM

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman of the Fifth Committee following informal consultations

United Nations pension system

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 45/242 of 21 December 1990 and 45/268 of 28 June 1991,

Having considered the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board 1/ for 1990 to the General Assembly and to the member organizations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, chapter III of the report of the International Civil Service Commission, 2/ the report of the Secretary-General on the investments of the Fund, 3/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 4/

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 9 (A/46/9).

2/ Ibid., Supplement No. 30 (A/46/30).

3/ A/C.5/46/15.

4/ A/46/614.

I

ACTUARIAL SITUATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS
JOINT STAFF PENSION FUND

Recalling section I of its resolution 44/199 of 21 December 1989, in which it approved measures to restore the actuarial balance of the Fund over the long term,

1. Takes note with satisfaction of the significant reduction in the actuarial imbalance from 3.71 to 0.57 per cent of pensionable remuneration, reflected in the valuation of the Fund as at 31 December 1990;

2. Also takes note of the decision of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board to retain the current 6.5 per cent interest rate for lump-sum commutations and of its intention to review that rate in 1993, in the light of the results of the actuarial valuation of the Fund as at 31 December 1992;

3. Further takes note of the observations of the Board concerning the maximum number of years of creditable contributory service in the Fund, in paragraphs 40 to 53 of its report, 1/ and of its intention to review this matter again in 1993 in the light of the results of the actuarial valuation of the Fund as at 31 December 1992.

II

PENSIONABLE REMUNERATION AND PENSIONS OF STAFF IN THE
GENERAL SERVICE AND RELATED CATEGORIES

Recalling that the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, acting on behalf of the Board, had informed the General Assembly at its forty-third session, in paragraph 75 of the annual report of the Board, 5/ of its conclusion that a comprehensive review of the methodology for determining the pensionable remuneration and consequent pensions of staff in the General Service and related categories should be undertaken,

Also recalling that in its resolution 45/242 of 21 December 1990, the General Assembly took note of the intention of the International Civil Service Commission to undertake in 1991, in full cooperation with the Board, such a comprehensive review and requested that recommendations thereon should be submitted to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session,

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5/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-third Session, Supplement No. 9 (A/43/9).

Noting that the Commission and the Board considered a number of methodological alternatives, but had not found it possible to submit specific recommendations to the General Assembly at its current session,

Also noting the divergent views reflected in the respective reports of the Commission 2/ and the Board, 1/ on whether the current methodology gives rise to inconsistencies and problems and on the merits of the alternative methodologies examined,

Appreciating the complexities and importance of the issues involved for all parties concerned: staff, administrations and Member States,

Noting the positions in the Commission that the current arrangements have given rise to inconsistencies and anomalies and that therefore retention of the current methodology without change is not a viable option,

1. Concurs with the conclusions of the Commission and the Board that further studies are required of possible alternative methodologies in order to determine the most equitable solution for all parties concerned, including in particular studies of the feasibility of determining pensionable remuneration and/or pensions by reference to the local practices of employers used in General Service salary surveys, of the use of the income-replacement approach followed in determining the pensionable remuneration of staff in the Professional and higher categories, and of the use of local taxes to derive the pensionable remuneration from the net pensionable salaries;

2. Endorses the phased approach to the comprehensive review and the timetable for its completion set out in paragraph 84 of the report of the Commission; 2/

3. Concurs with the observation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, in paragraph 14 of its report, 4/ that the recommendations of the Commission and the Board should aim to eliminate current anomalies in the system and that the further studies should be completed within the proposed time-frame;

4. Requests the Commission and the Board in their further studies to take into account the views expressed in the Fifth Committee, including in particular those related to the administrative and financial implications of determining pensions in accordance with local practices of employers used in salary surveys, and to the alternative of reflecting local conditions in the determination of the pensionable remuneration through the application of local tax rates to gross up net pensionable salaries.

III

PENSIONABLE REMUNERATION AND PENSIONS OF UNGRADED OFFICIALS

Recalling section II of its resolution 45/242 of 21 December 1990, in which it expressed the belief that a common-system approach should be used for

the determination of the pensionable remuneration and pensions of all participants in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, including ungraded officials,

Having considered the views of the International Civil Service Commission and the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board on the methodology for determining the pensionable remuneration of ungraded officials, including the executive heads of member organizations who are participants in the Fund, as set out in paragraphs 51 to 71 of the report of the Commission, 2/ and paragraphs 110 to 132 of the report of the Board, 1/

1. Reiterates its concern at the divergent practices that have emerged since 1984 in respect of the pensionable remuneration of ungraded officials and in particular of the executive heads of member organizations who are participants in the Fund;

2. Concurs with the observation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in paragraph 26 of its report, 4/ that the methodology for determining the pensionable remuneration of ungraded officials should be considered with a view to eliminating the inconsistencies in the amounts of pensionable remuneration of certain of these officials;

3. Endorses the recommendations of the Commission that officials appointed or elected to ungraded posts who become participants in the Fund should have their pensionable remuneration determined in accordance with the methodology set out in paragraph 64 of the report of the Commission, 2/ with the modification indicated in paragraph 66 of that report;

4. Also endorses the recommendation of the Commission that the pensionable remuneration of such officials should be adjusted between comprehensive reviews in accordance with the procedure applicable for adjustment of the scale of pensionable remuneration of staff in the Professional and higher categories, as set out in article 54(b) of the Regulations of the Fund;

5. Urges the governing bodies of the other organizations members of the Fund to adopt the methodology and adjustment procedure recommended by the Commission for determining the pensionable remuneration of their ungraded officials who become participants in the Fund, and to inform the General Assembly, the Commission and the Pension Board of the action taken in this regard;

6. Also urges the governing bodies of the organizations members of the Fund to review the levels of pensionable remuneration of their ungraded officials who are currently participants in the Fund, with a view to eliminating the divergencies from the levels established on the basis of the above methodology, taking into account the need to protect acquired rights derived from earlier decisions by the governing bodies concerned;

7. Requests the Board to consider again, at its next regular session, amendments to the Regulations of the Fund to incorporate provisions governing the pensionable remuneration of ungraded officials and to extend the provisions placing a limit on the highest levels of pensions to cover all participants in the Fund, including ungraded officials, and to submit recommendations thereon to the General Assembly;

8. Takes note of the views of the Commission, as set out in paragraphs 70 and 71 of its report, 2/ that, in the event the governing body of a member organization decides that its elected officials should not be participants in the Fund, the alternative pension arrangements should be determined by that governing body, taking into account the terms of office and the desirability of establishing some comparability in the pension arrangements applicable to such officials;

9. Requests the Commission to recommend guidelines for determining the pension arrangements for ungraded officials who do not become participants in the Fund so as to ensure system-wide comparability, as well as appropriate monitoring procedures, and to submit recommendations thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session and to the governing bodies of the other organizations of the United Nations common system.

IV

CHANGES IN THE PENSION ADJUSTMENT SYSTEM

Recalling its request contained in section IV, paragraph 5, of resolution 45/242 of 21 December 1990 and reaffirmed in paragraph 5 of resolution 45/268 of 28 June 1991, that the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board give priority to the development of a long-term approach to the determination of initial local-currency pensions,

Also recalling section IV, paragraph 6, of resolution 45/242 of 21 December 1990, in which it invited the governing bodies of the member organizations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund to refrain from seeking to establish additional pension entitlements for their staff, as well as paragraph 6 of resolution 45/268 of 28 June 1991 in which it reiterated that position,

1. Takes note of section III.F of the report of the Board 1/ on the pension adjustment system, in particular on the longer-term modifications of that system considered by the Board for determining the initial local currency pensions, in the light of the expiration on 31 March 1992 of the transitional measure approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 45/242 of 21 December 1990;

2. Also takes note of the observations of the Board, in paragraphs 180 and 181 of its report, on the implications of the resolution adopted by the Administrative Council of the International Telecommunication Union on a

pension purchasing power protection insurance plan for the staff of the International Telecommunication Union;

3. Approves the longer-term modification of the pension adjustment system and its effective dates, as recommended by the Board in paragraphs 175 and 176 of its report, 1/ and the consequential changes in the pension adjustment system, as set out in annex I to the present resolution;

4. Takes note of the intention of the Board to monitor closely the actual costs of the modification of the pension adjustment system approved herein;

5. Endorses the views of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, as set out in paragraphs 22 and 23 of its report, 4/ that the Board should, on the basis of experience with the actual costs, determine whether any fine-tuning of the modification is warranted in order to limit the costs, that the guidelines set forth in General Assembly resolution 31/196 of 22 December 1976 should continue to be taken into account so as to ensure that changes in the pension adjustment system do not require increases in the financial liabilities of Member States;

6. Requests the Board at its next regular session to continue to consider economy measures, taking into account the views expressed in the Fifth Committee, and including in particular a change of the "120 per cent cap" provision under the two-track pension adjustment system given the increased protection provided by the modification of the system approved herein;

V

COMPOSITION OF THE UNITED NATIONS JOINT STAFF PENSION BOARD

1. Takes note of the observations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, in section III.G of its report, 1/ on the composition of the Board and on the periodicity of its regular sessions;

2. Also takes note of the recommendation that no change be made in the composition of the Board at the present time, and requests the Board to keep this matter under review and to submit a further report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session;

3. Further takes note of the decision of the Board to hold its regular sessions henceforth on a biennial basis;

VI

AMENDMENT TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS JOINT STAFF PENSION FUND

1. Approves, with effect from 1 January 1992, an amendment to article 14 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, as set out in annex II to the present resolution, to provide for reporting by the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board to the General Assembly once every two years, rather than annually, in light of the decision of the Board to hold its regular sessions henceforth on a biennial basis;

2. Requests that the activities of the Standing Committee of the Board should be reported to the General Assembly in years when the Board does not meet only if the Standing Committee judges that action by the Assembly is required;

VII

EMERGENCY FUND

Authorizes the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund to supplement the voluntary contributions to the Emergency Fund, for the biennium 1992-1993, by an amount not exceeding 200,000 United States dollars;

VIII

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

1. Concurs with the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund;

2. Approves expenses, chargeable directly to the Fund, totalling $40,403,600 (net) for the biennium 1992-1993, and an increase in expenses of $2,116,100 (net) for the biennium 1990-1991, for the administration of the Fund;

IX

OTHER MATTERS

Takes note of the other matters contained in the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board; 1/

X

INVESTMENTS OF THE UNITED NATIONS JOINT STAFF PENSION FUND

1. Takes note with satisfaction of the report of the Secretary-General on the investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund; 3/

2. Reiterates its request to Member States that do not grant tax exemption to the Fund's investments to do so as soon as possible.

Annex I

Changes in the pension adjustment system

C. DETERMINATION OF BASE AMOUNTS

Replace paragraph 5(b)(i) by the following text:

(b) A local currency base amount is calculated for the country of residence established pursuant to section N below, as follows:

(i) A cost-of-living differential factor is established for the country of residence and the month of separation as explained in section D below. This factor is applied to that portion of the final average remuneration which does not exceed the pensionable remuneration, on the date of separation, in the scale referred to in article 54(b) of the Regulations, at the top step of the grades set out below:

P-2: For separations before 1 April 1992;

P-4: For separations on or after 1 April 1992;

For disability benefits commencing after 1 January 1991 and for other benefits derived therefrom; and

For survivors' and other benefits due to deaths in service of participants occurring on or after 1 January 1991.

The resulting amount is added to the final average remuneration;

D. COST-OF-LIVING DIFFERENTIAL FACTORS

Replace paragraph 6(a)(iv) by the following text:

(iv) The applicable cost-of-living differential factor is finally derived from the following table, the result being interpolated, when necessary, between the factors applicable for two exact numbers of classes of post adjustment:

Thirty-six-month average excess of post adjustment classes over that of New York	Cost-of-living differential factor (percentage)
Separations before 1 April 1992	
Less than 4	0
4	3
5	7
6	12
7	17
8	22
9	28
10	34
11	40
12 or more	46
Separations on or after 1 April 1992; disability benefits commencing after 1 January 1991 and other benefits derived therefrom; and survivors' and other benefits due to death in service occurring on or after 1 January 1991	
Less than 1	0
1	3
2	8
3	14
4	19
5	25
6	31
7	38
8	45
9	52
10	60
11	68
12	76
13	85
14	94
15 or more	104

Annex II

Amendment to the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund

Article 14

Replace the heading and paragraph (a) of the article by the following:

Report and Audit

(a) The Board shall present to the General Assembly and to member organizations, at least once in every two years, a report, including a balance-sheet, on the operation of the Fund, and shall inform each member organization of any action taken by the General Assembly upon the report.

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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1992-1993

Draft decisions and resolutions submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations

Questions relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993

A

The General Assembly

Endorses the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993, contained in its report on the work of its thirty-first session, including general considerations, overall resource requirements, priorities, methodology and format. 1/

II

POSTS

1. Endorses the recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination contained in paragraphs 41 to 43 of its report 2/ on the changes in the staffing table of the Organization;

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/46/16 and Add.1), paras. 11-391.

2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/46/16 and Add.1).

2. Requests the Secretary-General to review and develop procedures and norms, including workload analyses, to justify the creation, suppression, reclassification, conversion and redeployment of posts and to submit a report with proposals through the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session, taking into account resolution 45/239 A, section I, paragraph 17 of 21 December 1990;

3. Takes note of the number and distribution of high-level posts in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993; 3/

4. Invites the Secretary-General to indicate his proposed changes in the organization of the Secretariat, particularly with regard to high-level posts, in revised estimates to be presented to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session;

5. Endorses the recommendations of the Advisory Committee 4/ with regard to the changes in the staffing table of the Organization proposed by the Secretary-General, and further decides: (i) to convert from temporary to established status four posts (one D-2, one P-5 and two General Service) in the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs in South-East Asia (section 2); (ii) to defer the establishment of a new P-4 post of Editor in the Office for Political and General Assembly Affairs and Secretariat Services (section 4); (iii) to establish on a temporary basis a P-5 post for the Director of the Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific at Kathmandu, Nepal, as indicated in resolution B, section V, below; (iv) not to endorse the downgrading of the P-4 post to the P-3 level proposed in section 9; (v) to keep for 1992 the D-2 post proposed for abolition in section 15 and also decides that the other posts under the subprogramme concerned should be treated as indicated in resolution B, section IX, below; (vi) and to accept the recommendation of the Advisory Committee to establish a P-5 post for an Evaluation Officer in the Economic Commission for Africa, as indicated in resolution B, section XVII, below.

III

UNDER-UTILIZED BALANCES

1. Endorses as an ad hoc measure the reduction of 13,343,900 dollars recommended by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the basis of under-utilized balances;

3/ Ibid., Supplement No. 6 (A/46/6/Rev.1).

4/ See Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 7 (A/46/7).

2. Requests the Secretary-General to bear in mind that the across-the-board reductions under each section resulting from the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the under-utilised balances are indicative and to consider, in implementing these recommendations, the requirements of programmes and services of the various units in the United Nations Secretariat;

3. Further requests the Secretary-General to use the first performance report to reflect his proposed transfers of resources among sections of the programme budget, in accordance with the existing financial regulations and rules and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee contained in the relevant part of paragraph 22 of its report.

IV

ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN THE PROGRAMME BUDGET

1. Endorses the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination contained in paragraphs 31 to 33 and 52 of its report;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to undertake a review of the possible consolidation of administrative functions in the various units of the Secretariat and to submit proposals to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session;

3. Also requests the Secretary-General to review the distribution of resources between substantive central departments and offices and the regional commissions, taking into account the relevant provisions of resolutions 32/197 of 20 December 1977 and 41/213 of 19 December 1986, and to reflect his recommendations in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995;

4. Notes that the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993 does not provide a list of activities that, in the judgement of the Secretary-General, can be discontinued, and requests the Secretary-General, in the implementation of the programme budget, to take into account measures that may improve the cost-effectiveness and efficiency of the Organization, thereby enhancing its capacity and flexibility to respond effectively to needs and mandates;

5. Reiterates its request to the Secretary-General to develop workload standards and other management techniques, particularly in the context of the preparation of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995;

6. Endorses the recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on priority setting contained in paragraphs 45 to 47 of its report, notes that the broad priority on the economic development of developing countries pertains to a large number of sections in the programme budget, and stresses the importance of ensuring adequate resources for the implementation of mandated activities under each section of the programme budget;

7. Notes that objectives of the medium-term plan 5/ and specific mandates of the General Assembly are not always fully reflected in the programme narratives and activities of some sections of the proposed programme budget, and requests the Secretary-General to take fully into account the views expressed by Member States in implementing the programme budget and in proposing revisions to the medium-term plan;

8. Also notes the growing role of extrabudgetary resources in the implementation of the programmes of the Organization, the progress achieved in the presentation of these resources in the programme budget, the impact of voluntary contributions on a number of subprogrammes in the economic and social domains and the observations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in paragraphs 71 and 72 of its report with regard to the need for greater transparency, and decides to keep this question under constant review;

9. Further notes that estimates in the proposed programme budget do not reflect the possible consequences for the activities financed from the regular budget of the decisions taken by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on new successor arrangements, recognizes that for sections of the programme budget such as those pertaining to the Department of Technical Cooperation for Development and the regional commissions these new arrangements are likely to affect the projected level of resources in 1993 and perhaps in 1992, and invites the Secretary-General to keep the situation under constant review and to report to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session, in the most appropriate form;

10. Requests the Secretary-General to review the costs of services provided by the United Nations to activities financed by extrabudgetary resources and to provide an analysis of appropriate sources of funding for these costs, taking into account relevant intergovernmental decisions and resolutions and existing practices in this regard;

11. Also requests the Secretary-General to work in close collaboration with the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme in the preparation of this report and to take into account paragraph 37 of decision 91/46 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme;

12. Requests that these two reports be reviewed by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

5/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/45/6/Rev.1).

V

TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATIONS

1. Takes note of the reports of the Secretary-General on technological innovations, 6/ on telecommunications activities, 7/ and on optical disk storage and retrieval, 8/ and endorses the comments and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in its report on these projects; 9/

2. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure coordination among all organizational units involved in order to harmonize their activities to prevent future incompatibilities and ensure their efficient and cost-effective use;

3. Approves phase II of the optical disk storage project for 1992-1993, subject to the submission of a detailed performance report on the completion of phase I in 1992;

4. Takes note of the third progress report of the Secretary-General on the integrated management information system project, 10/ expresses concern at the delay in the implementation of the project and in the quality of the information provided to the Member States, and endorses the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in paragraph 45 of its first report 11/ and in paragraphs 17 to 29 of its twelfth report; 12/

5. Requests the Secretary-General to submit a progress report to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session in accordance with the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, particularly with regard to the quantifiable increase in productivity, and indicating estimated maintenance costs per year on a long-term basis as indicated in paragraph 26 of its report;

6/ A/C.5/46/1 and Corr.1.

7/ A/C.5/46/5.

8/ A/C.5/46/26.

9/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 7 (A/46/7 and Add.1-15), document A/46/7/Add.12.

10/ A/C.5/46/24.

11/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 7 (A/46/7 and Add.1-15), document A/46/7.

12/ Ibid., document A/46/7/Add.12.

6. Requests that a report based on an independent expert study and taking into account the views expressed by Member States at the current session be submitted in 1992, no later than 15 September, to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, which will review the report and advise the General Assembly on the matter at its forty-seventh session. The purpose of this independent evaluation is to assess the approach and methodology adopted in the development and implementation of this project and to determine whether the project can be expected to provide the benefits outlined in the reports of the Secretary-General and to contribute to a more efficient and effective administrative management of the Organization; in addition, the evaluation should provide suggestions for enhanced information to Member States, inter alia, through adequate phasing of the project, with a view to enabling the Assembly to take informed decisions on the subject; the report is to be financed from the existing provision for the project;

7. Requests the Secretary-General to submit one comprehensive report on new technology projects, including information on the steps taken to implement the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session, taking into account the views expressed by Member States on these matters in the Fifth Committee.

VI

PUBLICATIONS POLICY

1. Notes that in a number of sections of the proposed programme budget, notably in parts IV, V, VI, VII and VIII, there seems to be a large number of publications and an unclear distinction between publications requested by intergovernmental bodies and technical publications produced at the initiative of the Secretariat;

2. Also notes that the quality and relevance of publications appears to be uneven and that the policies for pricing and distribution of United Nations publications needs to be further refined;

3. Endorses the recommendations contained in paragraphs 27 and 32.16 to 32.19 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 13/ and emphasizes the need for the Secretariat to better utilize internal printing facilities with a view to reducing the overall cost of printing;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to review the overall publications policy of the Organization, including its technical aspects and possible coordination at the level of the system, and to present a report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session.

13/ Ibid., document A/46/7.

VII

WORKLOAD OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

1. Endorses the views contained in paragraph 85 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; 14/

2. Requests the Secretary-General to undertake a review, taking into account all aspects of the implications resulting from the increasing trend on workload of the various committees and commissions, and to submit a report, with appropriate proposals, to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session;

3. Recognizes that the working methods of the Advisory Committee for Administrative and Budgetary Questions are within its competence, and invites the Committee to report its decisions and recommendations, as appropriate, to the General Assembly.

VIII

SEMINAR ON THE METHODOLOGY OF THE PROGRAMME BUDGET

1. Endorses the recommendation of the Committee for Programme and Coordination contained in paragraph 49 of its report, on the convening by the Secretary-General of an ad hoc technical seminar to review the question of the methodology used for the preparation of the programme budget, and recommends that this seminar take place during the first part of 1992;

2. Also endorses the recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, contained in paragraphs 53, 400 and 401 of its report, concerning the submission of a prototype of a new budget format, through the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session.

IX

CONTINGENCY FUND

1. Recalls its resolution 45/255 of 21 December 1990, by which it provisionally established the level of the contingency fund of the programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993 at a level of 0.75 per cent of the preliminary estimate of 2,462,400,000 dollars, i.e. 19 million dollars;

14/ Ibid.

2. Takes note of the adjustment made by the Secretary-General to the preliminary estimates from 2,462,400,000 dollars to 2,366,300,000 dollars, and decides that the revised level of the contingency fund stands at 18 million dollars.

X

BUDGET-RELATED STAFFING ISSUES

1. Requests the Secretary-General to review the nature and level of regular budget funding of staff union activities and to report to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session;

2. Invites the Secretary-General to take into account section XIII, paragraph 2, of resolution 45/241 of 21 December 1990 in the implementation of the programme budget for 1992-1993;

3. Decides that a turnover rate of 0.5 per cent shall be applied in respect of General Service staff in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993.

B

The General Assembly

I

SECTION 1. OVERALL POLICY-MAKING, DIRECTION AND COORDINATION

Having accepted the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the posts for its secretariat, and having noted the increasing workload of the Committee,

1. Stresses the statutory nature and the importance of the functions of this Committee, and invites the Secretary-General to keep under review the method of financing of posts in the secretariat of the Committee that are not part of the regular budget;

2. Decides that, starting in 1992, the travel expenses and subsistence of the members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination for attendance at the joint Committee for Programme and Coordination/Administrative Committee on Coordination meetings should be authorized under the regular budget of the Organization on the understanding that there is no increase in the total appropriation of the relevant part of section 1 and that claims related to the regular sessions of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will have first priority.

II

SECTION 2. GOOD OFFICES AND PEACEMAKING; PEACE-KEEPING; RESEARCH AND THE COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

1. Requests the Secretary-General to reflect the wording contained in resolution 46/48 on the comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects, adopted by the General Assembly on 9 December 1991 upon the recommendation of the Special Political Committee, in the programme budget and in the medium-term plan;

2. Invites the Secretary-General to ensure that the activities of the Office for Research and the Collection of Information fully complement the activities of other offices, including the Department of Political and Security Council Affairs;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to submit appropriate information on the financial and related aspects of special missions, particularly cost absorption, in the context of the budget performance reports.

III

SECTION 3. POLITICAL AND SECURITY COUNCIL AFFAIRS

Recalling resolutions 32/71 of 9 December 1977 and 40/243 of 18 December 1985, as well as the relevant observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in its report on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991 15/ on the venues of meetings of subsidiary bodies,

Requests the Committee on Conferences to expedite its review of United Nations bodies meeting away from their established headquarters, and to report to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session.

IV

SECTION 4. POLITICAL AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY AFFAIRS AND SECRETARIAT SERVICES

1. Decides to consider at its forty-seventh session the report on the organization of editorial services at United Nations Headquarters, 16/ as recommended by the Committee for Programme and Coordination in paragraph 96 of its report;

15/ Ibid., Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 7 (A/44/7 and Add.1-8).

16/ A/C.5/46/47.

2. Also decides to postpone its decision on the proposal of the Secretary-General and the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for the establishment of a P-4 post of Editor, pending final decision on the results of the above-mentioned review on editorial services at its forty-seventh session;

3. Accepts the reclassification of the post of Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination from the P-4 to the P-5 level;

4. Notes the responsibilities currently attached to this post and the inconsistencies in the levels of Secretaries of various intergovernmental policy-making organs, and requests the Secretary-General to keep under review the levels of these posts, bearing in mind the other responsibilities associated to the posts, and to present proposals as appropriate to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session.

V

SECTION 5. DISARMAMENT

1. Accepts the proposal of the Secretary-General and the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the granting of a subvention of 440,000 dollars to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research, recalls its resolution 44/201 B of 21 December 1989, and reiterates its request contained in section IV of that resolution, and endorses the observations and recommendations contained in paragraphs 5.9 and 5.10 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions stressing the need for the eventual self-sufficiency of the Institute and urging that every effort should be made to encourage donors to make additional unrestricted contributions which could be used to defray the administrative costs of the Institute;

2. Decides to establish a P-5 post for the Director of the Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific at Kathmandu, Nepal, effective 1 January 1992, on a temporary basis, subject to a review for the need to establish this post on a permanent basis for the next biennium.

VI

SECTION 9. LEGAL AFFAIRS

1. Recalls the concerns expressed by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the persistent backlog in the publication of the United Nations Treaty Series and invites the Secretary-General to take innovative and cost-effective measures to address this problem;

2. Endorses the comments and observations made by the Advisory Committee in paragraphs 9.6 and 9.7 of its report, on the questions of travel and publication policy in the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law;

3. Notes the proposals of the Secretary-General and the recommendation of the Advisory Committee regarding the reclassification of two posts in the Codification Division, and decides not to endorse these proposals;

4. Requests the Secretary-General, in administering the staffing table of section 9, to take fully into account the views expressed by Member States on the proposed reclassifications.

VII

SECTION 11A. OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL FOR DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION

1. Endorses the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed reclassification of a D-1 post, and decides, in the light of the increasing importance of a system-wide coordination in the economic and social domains, to keep this question under constant review;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to review the programme narrative under section 11A, taking into account all relevant mandates adopted by the General Assembly.

SECTION 11B. WORLD FOOD COUNCIL

Endorses the recommendation contained in paragraph 11B.7 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the question of the rental of office space for the secretariat of the World Food Council, and urges the Secretary-General to make every effort to obtain premises at a lower cost for this secretariat.

SECTION 11C. UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

Endorses the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, and encourages the Secretary-General to redeploy resources from within section 11C to provide for any additional consultancy requirements.

VIII

SECTION 13. INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

1. Notes the different presentation of the activities on non-governmental organizations in section 13, and stresses that the functions of the Department of International Economic and Social Affairs in this regard remain unchanged;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to examine activities related to "centrally planned economies" in the light of global economic developments and to report to the General Assembly in the context of the revisions to the medium-term plan to be submitted at the forty-seventh session;

3. Takes note of the Secretary-General's report on the administrative and financial arrangements of the 1994 International Conference on Population and Development, 17/ endorses the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to provide regular budget funding for the Conference, and requests the Secretary-General to make all necessary efforts to seek voluntary contributions funding for the Conference.

IX

SECTION 15. UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT

1. Notes the negative growth proposed for this section over the revised estimates for 1990-1991, stresses the importance of the Programme on Trade and Development in relation with the broad priorities of economic development for developing countries, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the activities proposed under this section including, if necessary, through the redeployment of resources in accordance with established procedures;

2. Also notes the proposals of the Secretary-General to abolish a D-2 post and to redeploy the 12 other posts of subprogramme 5, and the related recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

3. Recognizes that new mandates and new activities might emerge under section 15;

4. Decides that the 13 posts under subprogramme 5 mentioned above should be retained for 1992, with the corresponding appropriation;

17/ A/C.5/46/25 and Corr.1.

5. Requests the Secretary-General to make proposals on these posts for 1993 to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session, taking into account the results of the eighth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and other mandates of relevant intergovernmental bodies, and also taking into account the possibility for curtailing activities under this subprogramme mentioned in relation to the statement of programme budget implications for the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s. 18/

X

SECTION 16. INTERNATIONAL TRADE CENTRE

Requests that the detailed recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on section 16 of the proposed programme budget should be made available to the GATT budget committee at its October session in the odd-numbered year before the beginning of the budgetary biennium.

XI

SECTION 17. UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME

1. Endorses the recommendation contained in paragraph 265 of the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination that all non-mandated activities should be excluded from the programme narrative of section 17;

2. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the conference servicing of intergovernmental bodies convened at Nairobi, 19/ endorses the relevant recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, stresses that interpretation services should be available for all official languages of the Organization, and requests the Secretary-General to report on possible additional financial requirements under section 17 in the context of the first performance report for the biennium 1992-1993;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to study the possibility of alternative arrangements for the secretariat of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation, including its possible merger with the International Atomic Energy Agency, and to report to the General Assembly at its next session.

18/ A/C.5/45/69.

19/ A/C.5/46/29.

XII

SECTION 18. SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT

Notes the negative growth proposed for this section, stresses the importance of the Programme on Science and Technology for Development in relation with the broad priority of economic development for developing countries, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the activities proposed under this section, including enhanced coordination with the regional commissions and, if necessary, through the redeployment of resources in accordance with established procedures.

XIII

SECTION 19. UNITED NATIONS CENTRE FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

1. Endorses the recommendation contained in paragraph 276 of the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, and stresses that the activities envisaged under subprogrammes 1, 6 and 8 should be fully responsive to the needs of the various regions, including Latin America and the Caribbean;

2. Also endorses the relevant recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the translation of documentation into Chinese, and invites the Secretary-General to reflect any related additional appropriation in the context of the first performance report for the biennium 1992-1993 under section 19;

3. Invites the Secretary-General to ensure that all publications of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements are translated into all official languages in a timely manner.

XIV

SECTION 20. CENTRE ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS

Endorses the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed reclassification of the General Service post of Managing Editor, CTC Reporter Magazine, pending the completion of the review of the publication policy of the Organization.

XV

SECTION 21. SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS

1. Stresses the importance of the preparation of the World Conference on Women, to be held in 1995, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that adequate resources are provided for such preparation during the biennium 1992-1993;

2. Also stresses the importance of the appropriate servicing of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and requests the Secretary-General to ensure such servicing including through the redeployment of resources.

XVI

SECTION 22. INTERNATIONAL DRUG CONTROL

Endorses the recommendation contained in paragraph 301 of the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, and stresses the need for allocation of adequate resources for activities undertaken pursuant to this recommendation.

XVII

SECTION 23. ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR AFRICA

1. Accepts the proposals of the Secretary-General and the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the multinational programming and operational centres, taking into account the relevant evaluation report, 20/ the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, the report of the Secretary-General, 21/ the relevant decisions of the Economic and Social Council, paragraph 23.9 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and further views expressed by the Secretariat during the consideration of this question at the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly, and requests the Secretary-General to provide the multinational programming and operational centres with the remaining Professional and General Service category posts and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session;

2. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the self-evaluation capacity of the Economic Commission for Africa 22/ and the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee, and decides to establish the P-5 post of Evaluation Officer for the Economic Commission for Africa for the biennium 1992-1993, and to review the functions of this post in the context of the preparation of the 1994-1995 programme budget;

20/ E/AC/1991/3.

21/ A/C.5/45/57.

22/ A/C.5/46/37.

3. Accepts the proposals of the Secretary-General and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the African Institute for Economic Development and Planning, and requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session on the situation of this Institute, in the light of Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/72 of 27 July 1990.

XVIII

SECTION 24. ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

1. Notes the proposed priorities among subprogrammes, invites the Secretary-General to to be guided by the work programme and the priorities recommended by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific in implementing the programme budget, and stresses the importance of submitting new proposals in the context of the revisions to the medium-term plan for 1992-1997;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to assess the capacity of the Commission to fulfil its role for the strengthening of multilateral regional and subregional cooperation, having regard to the resources available in the Commission, and to propose measures for the strengthening of the Commission in the context of the revised estimates of the programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993, taking into account the work programme of the Commission.

XIX

SECTION 28. HUMAN RIGHTS

1. Accepts the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions with regard to posts, and requests the Secretary-General to provide complete information concerning management and workload analysis, as indicated by the Advisory Committee, to enable the Committee to make appropriate recommendations to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session in the context of the proposed programme budget for 1994-1995 on the establishment of these temporary posts on a permanent basis, on the understanding that the arrangements on temporary posts will be included in a long-term solution for the resources of the Centre for Human Rights;

2. Requests the Secretary-General, with regard to the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on the level of general temporary assistance for section 28, to ensure that adequate resources are available during the biennium 1992-1993.

XX

SECTION 29A. OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES

Endorses the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions regarding the financing of additional posts from the regular budget, requests the Secretary-General to review with the Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees the current arrangements for the financing of administrative and other posts at the Office, taking into account the financial situation of the Office and the United Nations and all relevant intergovernmental decisions, and to make proposals, as appropriate, in the context of the programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995.

XXI

SECTION 29B. UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND WORKS AGENCY FOR PALESTINE REFUGEES IN THE NEAR EAST

1. Takes note of the proposals of the Secretary-General, and requests him to review the resource requirements of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East under the regular budget, taking into account resolution 3331 B (XXIX) of 17 December 1974, subsequent practices and the reasons which led the Secretary-General to put forward the proposals contained in paragraph 29B.8 of the proposed programme budget for 1992-1993;

2. Further requests the Secretary-General to make recommendations in this regard, through the Advisory Commitee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session.

XXII

SECTION 31. PUBLIC INFORMATION

1. Notes that the Trust Fund for Information Support for African Economic Recovery and Development should have been mentioned in section 11A, stresses the importance of the Fund for the implementation of the activities mandated under programme 45, and invites the Secretary-General to mobilize resources for the Fund and requests him to report in the most appropriate form to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session;

2. Stresses the importance of ensuring cultural diversity and equality of languages in the activities of the Department of Public Information of the United Nations Secretariat, particularly with regard to audiovisual materials and radio programmes.

XXIII

SECTION 32. CONFERENCE SERVICES

Requests the Secretary-General to keep under review workload standards in the Department of Conference Services, taking into account technological innovations and the need for further progress in productivity, and to report in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995.